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Do We Have to Grow?

So often we hear it said: "You can't stand still. You must either go forward or backward!"

In this part of Ontario particularly, we seem to be ever looking for more industry, more houses, bigger towns. And yet we sometimes wonder if we are on the right track to concentrate too heavily on making everything bigger, for bigness is not necessarily synonymous with "bestness."

Take a town for example — Georgetown to be specific. Can such a town of 3500 population continue that way for generations and continue to be a good town without growing and growing until it has 5000 people or ten or fifteen thousand?

The problem is complex, because it is human nature never to be satisfied. The aver-

Proper Balance Important

What is important for a town is to have the proper balance between industry and homes.

We have heard half a dozen informed speakers say that a town must depend on industrial assessment to carry the load for residential areas which do not pay their way under our present tax set-up.

We have been warned that Georgetown must not become solely a residential area for people who work at Malton or Oakville. If that happened, we would be burdened with exorbitant taxes for schools, roads, sewers, the cost of which should be shared by the industry employing all these people.

It is, then, extremely necessary that Georgetown and Esquimes take the advice of a government man, Mr. Nash, who spoke at the

Pot Pourri

If you saw some glum faces at the Herald office last week, it was a sign that the New Year had started off bad all around. Linotypist Les Clark was down with the flu along with his wife and their two kiddies, and on Tuesday the linotype machine, which sets the bulk of what you read in the paper decided to go on the blink. Repairmen from the company in Toronto were unavailable until Thursday, but through the kindness of our neighbouring publisher in Acton, we were able to use his machine and get most of the copy set. We had a young one at home with the flu too on the same night that our oil furnace decided to act up, then another and still another took the same ailment, though luckily not at the same time. Printer Reg Broomhead's wife also came down with the flu and to add a final touch the hot water tap in the kitchen at home refused to work. Anyone with a family of five knows how much this is needed for the washing. . . . But this is another week! The linotype is fixed, the flu bug has moved on to some other victims and the Herald Office is perking along on high. . . . It's welcome home to Jessie Wilcox who last week joined the Bank of Commerce staff after living in Hamilton for several years. . . . Back on Main Street again is Bob Harris who since leaving Farnell's staff has operated his own store at Stewarttown and since selling out to Ken Wilson, has been managing McClure's Home Furnishings branch in Milton. Bob is now employed with Albert Hills at the Budget Market. . . . Slippery, slushy roads over the week-end kept

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age human being constantly looks for something more in life and in a money economy he concentrates on more money with which he can buy more things and raise his living standard. As he grows older he transfers this to a desire for his children to have more than he had. It is a perfectly natural inclination and one which we all possess in varying degrees.

So it is with a town. We seek a bigger town so that we can have more civic services, more factories in which to employ more people who will need more civic services.

And just as the individual may find that more of the world's goods acquired by himself does not necessarily mean greater happiness, so can a town find that being bigger does not always mean being better.

mayor's inaugural dinner, and form some planning board which can take hold of the problem and seek the best solution, for even now we are to some extent just such a "boarder" community.

A planning board could determine the perfect balance of industry and private homes and could give sound advice to councils about what to seek.

And it would not have to mean that Georgetown must grow and grow to city proportions. The proper assessment balance in a town of three or four thousand can make it a fine town and it can continue to be a fine town as long as its citizens are happily employed and can afford, individually and collectively, to buy most of the things they want.

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Lions Christmas Tree Most Successful Yet

The most successful community Christmas tree ever, was the report of the committee which handled this for Georgetown Lions Club.

Chairman Dick Licata reviewed the project at the dinner meeting of the club at the McGibbon House last Tuesday and noted the generous response from the public to sale of lucky draw tickets which finance the annual event.

The club will join with other clubs in the district in presenting a trophy for juvenile or bantam hockey competition. An offer has also been made to sponsor a Georgetown entrant in a district oratorical contest for high school students.

Rev. Alex Calder Education Speaker

The January meeting of the Georgetown Women's Institute was held at the home of Mrs. Frank Petch, Edith Street, on Wednesday afternoon, January 7th, at two thirty o'clock. The president, Mrs. Seward Wilson, was in the chair, and Mrs. Fred Armstrong acted as secretary in the absence of Miss Luena Campbell. The roll call was answered by: A New Year resolution and hope that February's roll can be answered truthfully: Have you kept it? All the resolutions were admirable. One sent by a district convener bears repeating: Doing good because it is right, Forgetting our own desires, In the great work of helping others Using our Women's Institute To make us better citizens Of the Kingdom of God — This is our aim.

It was decided to send \$5 to the Sick Children's Hospital. A chain euchre will be held at the homes of some of the members on Saturday night, January 17th.

Mrs. Wm. G. Bell, convener of Community Activities, gave a very full report of the Christmas Hamper Fund, and several letters of appreciation and thanks were read. Mrs. Bell was able to dispense a lot of cheer for a very nominal sum.

The Institute will again provide a prize for proficiency in the Georgetown High School. Mr. Lambert will be consulted and will be asked to purchase a prize and assign it to the student he recommends.

Mrs. Wm. T. Sinclair read 'Current Events, of 1932' collected and edited by Mrs. Jack Williamson, which proved very interesting. We still regret the death of our beloved King George but rejoice in his successor, our gracious Queen Elizabeth, voted by Time magazine — 'The Woman of the Year,' a new bloom on a hardy stalk.

The programme committee then took over and Mrs. Harold Cleave introduced Mrs. Jack Bailey, Jr. who favoured the audience with two solos accompanied by Mrs. R. H. Wright.

Mrs. W. V. Grant introduced Rev. A. J. Calder who spoke on education — a very important thing in our pursuit of life. In several instances he spoke of Then and Now and successfully convinced his audience that while they still cling to the old idea — what was good enough for us is good enough for our children, that modern methods of education had proved their worth. He spoke of education of self, citing as an example: Prime Minister Winston Churchill, who though he was a poor student, was a good soldier, writer and statesman. The old method of reading, 'ritin', and 'rithmetic still holds favour. There is no royal road to learning. We get out of education what we put into it. His talk was highly entertaining, interspersed with human interest stories and personal experiences which held the interest of his audience.

Mrs. Fred Armstrong moved a hearty vote of thanks to hostess, speaker, singer and the lunch committee. Lunch was served by Mrs. H. Bailey, Mrs. R. Licata, Mrs. Herb Cleave and Mrs. D. Livingstone.

Mrs. H. Bailey spoke of the fiftieth anniversary which is being celebrated in March of this year, and a committee was appointed to take charge of this, consisting of Mrs. H. Bailey, Mrs. Clarence Hayes, Mrs. George Campbell, Mrs. Harold Cleave, Mrs. Wm. T. Sinclair, Mrs. Seward Wilson, and Miss Luena Campbell. You will hear more about this shortly through the columns of this paper.

SCOUT NEWS

Firemen Breen and Laws were present at the Troop meeting on Thursday evening when they demonstrated use of the Resuscitator and Scott Air Pack equipment. Members of the troop displayed keen interest.

Volley ball was the main source of recreation at the Troop meeting on Thursday evening.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Boy Scouts are to hold their next meeting on Monday at 8 o'clock in St. John's Church parlour. All members are invited to attend. This is the reorganization meeting, and the time to lay plans for the Father & Son Banquet.

There is still room for a few boys 8 years of age in the Little Beaver Pack which meets Thursday afternoon at 4 under the leadership of Don Livingstone.

The following Cubs have been promoted to Scouts: Errol Stapleton, Paul Ward, Norm Lockhurst, Ken Vivian, Larry Richardson, Gary Broughton.

Scouts are reminded that there will be opportunity for First Class Scouts to go to Ottawa this summer.

The Scout Committee will meet on Thursday evening at the home of Rev. J. M. Smith.

ORGANIZATION MEETING

TO FORM A
HOME and SCHOOL CLUB

IN GEORGETOWN
Monday, January 19th
in Howard Wigglesworth School
8.00 p.m.

Mrs. Jarvis of Guelph, an authority on the subject, will outline the aims and work of a Home & School Group. All interested citizens, whether parents or not, are invited to attend.

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